Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Saturday 19 Dec 2020 until 23:59 on Sunday 20 Dec 2020

Forecast Issued on Friday 18 Dec 2020 at 16:49 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for general developments and turning colder. Medium for cloud amounts.

Headline for Saturday 19 Dec 2020: A mainly dry and bright start. Heavy showers developing with gales and summit snow.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 19 Dec 2020

Blizzards Low Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales High Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Medium Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms Low Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy Rain	Cloudy	Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Heavy snow
Precipitation probability							
50%	10%	10%	30%	40%	60%	60%	40%

Forecast for Saturday 19 Dec 2020

Weather: Overnight rain soon clearing east. A mainly dry and bright morning expected, but showers becoming heavy and widespread during the afternoon and evening. The showers will be heavy at times with a risk of hail and thunder. The showers wintry above about 800m with temporary blizzard conditions over the summits.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 70% overnight and during the morning, becoming 30% in the afternoon and evening with occasional or extensive cloud base 800 to 1000m, but lower in showers.

Visibility: Mostly very good falling moderate or poor in showers, and occasionally very poor at height.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	36/47 S	35/47 S	36/48 S	40/53 S	38/51 S	43/56 S	38/51 S	40/53 S	43/58 S
900	36/43 S	35/43 S	38/46 S	39/48 S	39/48 S	44/55 S	42/53 S	42/53 S	43/55 S
600	23/30 S	20/29 S	25/34 S	24/34 S	25/36 S	30/41 S	30/41 S	29/41 S	28/40 S
300	10/25 S	9/23 S	14/32 S	13/31 S	14/32 S	13/30 S	17/38 S	16/35 S	14/33 S
Glen	5/22 S	5/23 S	6/27 S	7/29 S	8/28 S	6/26 S	8/30 S	7/28 SW	6/26 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	0/-8	-0/-9	-1/-10	-1/-10	-1/-11	-2/-12	-3/-13	-3/-13	-3/-14
900	4/-3	4/-3	3/-5	2/-6	2/-6	1/-8	0/-8	0/-8	0/-9
600	6/1	6/2	5/0	5/-1	5/-1	4/-3	3/-4	3/-4	3/-4
300	7/5	7/4	6/2	6/2	6/3	5/2	4/-0	4/-0	4/-0
Glen	8/7	8/5	6/4	7/3	7/4	7/4	5/1	5/1	4/1
Freezing Level*	1500m	1300m	1100m	1100m	1100m	1000m	900m	900m	900m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Nothing further to add.

Forecast for Sunday 20 Dec 2020
Weather: Mostly cloudy with bright spells and wintry showers, snow level around 800m falling to around 600m by the end of the day. The showers heavy and frequent at times with temporary blizzard conditions at height along with a severe wind chill.

Maximum wind: Southwest 35 to 40mph gusting 60mph with a severe wind chill.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 40%, extensive cloud, bases around 900m, but lowering significantly in showers.

Visibility: Mostly very good falling moderate or poor in showers, and occasionally very poor at height.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 3 Celsius rising to 8 Celsius
At 800m: Zero to Minus 1 Celsius
Freezing level: 800m falling to around 600m

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